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June 14, 1979

Memo to File:

Re: Utah Phosphate Company
Diamond Fork Mine

ACT/049/008

DOE/049/007

The proposed mine site was visited on June 12, 1979 by Tom Suchoski for the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining and Mr. Ira L. Holley of Utah Phosphate Company.

The area of proposed disturbances was approximately 1½ acres in size. There was no soil or overburden on the site. Much of this apparently was used to upgrade the access road in the past. The site has laid bare for approximately 30 years. Some natural revegetation can be seen taking place, mostly forbs and few grasses. Once the operation is complete the area is to be regraded, but no revegetation is planned.

The haul and access road is about 3 miles in length and will need to be upgraded.

Upon completion of the present proposed operation, Utah Phosphate Company proposes a larger scale stripping operation. The Division's position is at the present the operation qualifies as a DOE. When the operation is expanded a Mining and Reclamation plan is required.

The U.S.F.S., Uintah National Forest, has approved the plan and holds a \$5,200 bond on the present operation.

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